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TAGS: OVIP, JO (HUSSEIN, KING)

T:WHITE HOUSE ANNOUNCEMENT OF KING HUSSEIN'S VISIT

TO WASHINGTON

REFERENCE: STATE 84086, AMMAN 2399

1. YOU MAY TELL RIFAI WE AGREE TO HOLD OFF ANNOUNCEMENT OF KING'S VISIT, AS HE REQUESTED. WH PLANS TO MAKE THE ANNOUNCEMENT AT THE REGULAR NOON BRIEFING, THURSDAY, APRIL 24, OR ALTERNATIVELY FRIDAY, APRIL 25. PLEASE ASK THE JORDANIANS WHICH DATE THEY PREFER.

2. RE RIFAI'S REQUEST FOR REVISION OF TEXT OF ANNOUNCEMENT, RIFAI'S PROPOSED OPTION LANGUAGE COULD CONVEY IMPRESSION THAT PRESIDENT HAS INVITED KING FOR A FORMAL STATE VISIT. THIS IS, OF COURSE, NOT THE CASE; HUSSEIN'S VISIT IS PRIVATE (AS HAVE BEEN ALL OF HIS MAJESTY'S ANNUAL VISITS SINCE 1972).  
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WHILE WE THINK IT ENTIRELY APPROPRIATE TO MENTION PRESIDENT'S INVITATION TO KING TO COME TO WASHINGTON, WE DO BELIEVE THAT NATURE OF VISIT SHOULD BE SPECIFICALLY MENTIONED IN THE ANNOUNCEMENT. FOLLOWING IS A REVISED PROPOSED TEXT WHICH WE

HOPE WILL ACCOMMODATE JORDANIAN CONCERNS AND WHICH CHARGE  
SHOULD TRY OUT ON PM RIFAI:

BEGIN QUOTE: HIS MAJESTY KING HUSSEIN OF JORDAN WILL MAKE  
A PRIVATE VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES BEGINNING LATE THIS  
MONTH. AT THE PRESIDENT'S INVITATION, THE KING WILL VISIT  
WASHINGTON AND MEET WITH THE PRESIDENT ON APRIL 29. THE  
PRESIDENT WILL HOST A STAG WORKING DINNER IN THE KING'S  
HONOR THAT EVENING. KING HUSSEIN WILL MEET WITH OTHER  
HIGH LEVEL US OFFICIALS AS WELL AS WITH MEMBERS OF CONGRESS  
WHILE IN WASHINGTON.

KING HUSSEIN LAST MET WITH PRESIDENT FORD ON AUGUST 16,  
1974. THE CURRENT VISIT WILL PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR  
THEM TO RENEW THEIR PERSONAL ACQUAINTANCE AS WELL AS TO  
DISCUSS MATTERS OF COMMON INTEREST IN THE SPIRIT OF THE  
WARM AND CLOSE RELATIONS BETWEEN JORDAN AND THE UNITED  
STATES. END QUOTE.

3. YOUR ASSUMPTION, PARA 6, AMMAN 2399, THAT STAG WORKING  
IS TWO WORDS, IS CORRECT. KISSINGER

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